

**Agriculture & Extension Education Committee**  
**March 7, 2006**  
**Minutes**

**Committee members present:** Chair Wilbur Petroskey, Paul Dean and Guy Hansen. Peter Wolk excused. Tom Rudolph excused but will participate via phone for the interviews.

**Others present:** Dan Kuzlik, James Winkler, Toni Rogers, John Preissing and Kerri Ison.

**Call to order:** Chair Wilbur Petroskey called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

**Approval of agenda:** Motion by Paul Dean/Guy Hansen to approve the agenda for today. All ayes; motion carried.

**Approval of minutes:** Motion by Guy Hansen/Paul Dean to approve the minutes of February 13, 2006 as printed. All ayes; motion carried.

**Date(s) of future meetings:**

March 9, 2006	12:15 p.m.	Extension Classroom
April 12, 2006	10:30 a.m.	Extension Meeting Room

**Approval of monthly budget report:** None at this time.

**Approval of monthly invoices:** Motion by Guy Hansen/Paul Dean to approve the monthly invoices as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

**Approval of 2005 line item transfers:** Kerri Ison noted the Fair Subcommittee has one additional line item transfer for 2005 in the amount of \$70. Ison also submitted the line item transfers for the department for approval. Discussion followed. It was noted that after the transfers are made there will be approximately \$500 remaining in the 2005 budget. Motion by Paul Dean/Guy Hansen to approve the additional line item transfer for the Fair and the 2005 line item transfers for the department as requested. All ayes; motion carried.

**Agent reports:** Toni Rogers distributed and highlighted the videoconference she is facilitating on balancing work and personal life. She also reported the Community Garden effort is progressing. A tentative site has been selected near Phoenix Villa on Thayer Street – across the street from the Department on Aging. The property is currently owned by Catholic Charities. A variance is needed to put up fencing. The fencing will need to be removed for snow plowing in the winter months. Dan Kuzlik noted a lot of research has been done seeking potential sites and this appears to be the best initial space available. It is in a good neighborhood, in close proximity to the

Senior Center and has night lighting. Discussion followed. Motion by Guy Hansen/Paul Dean to accept the monthly agent reports as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

**Youth in Governance update:** Jim Winkler distributed a rough draft of the purpose and objectives for the Youth in Governance project – Teens Active in Government (TAG). He reviewed the handout and noted it is still a work in progress. Winkler spoke with the school administrators and principals in the three school district and all are quite excited about the program because of the broad scope of issues that can be applied to current curriculum. He has conducted some research regarding the legalities of having such a program, voting rights, etc. Paul Dean suggested Winkler speak with Corporation Counsel. Discussion followed regarding cost and set up of the TAG program and participant expectations.

**Plat Book update:** Jim Winkler reported Rockford Map Company will be producing a book for Oneida County regardless of 4-H involvement. The Leader's Association could purchase books from Rockford Map Company and sell them as a fundraiser, but will not receive a price break. Winkler is still working to have the 4-H Clover included on the cover of the book and interspersed throughout the book with the other advertising. Winkler also noted a resolution was passed in 1989 giving the 4-H Leader's Association the rights to produce and sell the plat book as their sole fundraiser. If they decide to give up those rights a change in the County Code will need to be made. The Leader's Association has not made a final decision at this time. Discussion followed.

**Out-of-county travel requests:**

Winkler:

April 6, 2006	Dept. of YD meeting	Stevens Point**
April 12, 2006	Program Impact/Evaluation Seminar	Phillips*

\*county expense

\*\*district/state expense

Motion by Wilbur Petroskey/Paul Dean to approve the out-of-county travel requests as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

**Public comment/communications:** Dan Kuzlik distributed a brochure announcing the Community Assessment Summit to be held at Nicolet College on March 23, 2006. This is a continuation of the community forums the office has been involved with. The summit is limited to 60-65 community leaders and Kuzlik expressed his wish to have at least one County Board member in attendance -- especially one from this Committee. Discussion followed.

**Item(s) for next agenda:** Community assessment summit.

**Closed session:** Motion by Wilbur Petroskey/Paul Dean to enter in to closed session pursuant to WI States Sec. 19.85 (1) (c), Wisconsin Statutes, considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which this body has jurisdiction or responsibility. Family Living Agent position interviews. John Preissing and Dan Kuzlik remained in closed session. Roll call vote: Paul Dean-aye; Guy Hansen-aye; Wilbur Petroskey-aye.

Tom Rudolph joined the meeting via telephone for the interviews.

Motion by Guy Hansen/Paul Dean to return to open session. Roll call vote: Paul Dean-aye; Guy Hansen-aye; Wilbur Petroskey-aye.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Paul Dean/Guy Hansen to adjourn at 12:30 p.m. All ayes; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kerri R. Ison  
Recording Secretary

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Wilbur Petroskey, Chair